TimberWest
Access Information
Factsheet

TimberWest offers access to our private timberlands to responsible individuals and organizations.

Keep yourself and our forests safe

Putting safety first in everything we do.

At TimberWest, safety is our highest priority.

In order to ensure your safety, and that of our crews who may be operating in the area, access permission and approval is required. We require visitors to abide by our safety rules, avoid active harvesting and road building sites, and adhere to posted safety signs.

All users of TimberWest’s land do so at their own risk. Those individuals who enter our sites without approval and/or do not follow the rules will be removed from the land and may be subject to legal consequences.

To obtain the latest TimberWest access information, please visit our Facebook page:

TimberWest.com
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WHEN YOU ACCESS TIMBERWEST PROPERTY YOU MUST:

- Be a member of an authorized organization with a TimberWest access permit.
- Avoid active harvesting and road building areas.
- Obey fire restrictions and fire bans.
- Drive all roads with caution, adhere to speed limits, and give logging traffic the right of way.
- Understand that all gates are subject to closure – often without notice.
- Only camp overnight in designated campsites.
- Obey all posted safety and environmental regulations.
- Check TimberWest’s Facebook page for updated access information.

REPORTING ILLEGAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL EVENTS:

Access to private lands is a privilege, not a right.

We encourage you to report acts of misuse or illegal activity to the RCMP Conservation Officers by calling the report a poacher or polluter hotline 1-877-952-7277, or if there is a fire call the BC Wildfire Service 1-800-663-5555. Sadly we continue to encounter disrespectful public use of our property. This includes:

Fires – resulting in costly wildfire suppression, damaged wildlife and fish habitat, loss of timber and land values, and threats to neighbouring homes and property.

Illegal Camping – resulting in significant safety concerns for forestry workers, environmental and health risks, and expensive removal costs because of illegal dumping.

Illegal Dumping – resulting in significant health and environmental risks, as well as significant removal costs. Items routinely and illegally dumped on our lands in large quantities include commercial and household garbage, invasive plants, toxic and unsanitary substances.

Poaching (illegal hunting and fishing) – resulting in ecological damage and threats to endangered and non-game species.

Theft – resulting in costly replacement fees for our company, employees and contractors who are continually subjected to thefts of fuel, tools and equipment, timber and firewood.

Unauthorized use of Off Road Vehicles (ORV) – resulting in ecological damage and endangering logging truck drivers and forestry workers.

Vandalism – resulting in costly damage to security gates, signage, bridges, and machinery.

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Keep up to date on our latest recreational access guidelines by following TimberWestForestCorp on Facebook or @TimberWest on Twitter
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Which groups and organizations do you have Access Agreements with?
We are constantly updating our Access Agreements with membership based organizations, and we are committed to working with groups who have open membership opportunities. We update all of our membership based Access Agreements on our Facebook page. Consider joining one of several different organizations to enjoy responsible access opportunities.

Is hunting permitted, and/or can I shoot my gun?
The use of firearms is not permitted on TimberWest property unless it is hunting season and you are in an approved designated area, and you have a valid hunting license. You must also be a member of the BC Wildlife Federation, or a Fish and Game Club, which provides for recreational insurance.

Can I cut down trees or cut firewood?
It is illegal to cut down trees, including Christmas trees, on our property. It is also illegal to cut, remove and transport firewood without a firewood salvage permit. If you are looking to cut your own firewood, we have agreements in place with firewood contractors that can provide you with day use permits. Please visit our Facebook page.

Can I use my quad, dirt bike or other Off Road Vehicle (ORV)?
Access for Off Road Vehicles (ORVs) is only permitted if you belong to an organization or ORV club with a TimberWest Access Agreement. You must be compliant with the terms in the Access Agreement, and the B.C. Off Road Vehicle Act. Your ORV must be licensed and insured.

Can I camp anywhere I want?
TimberWest does not allow overnight camping outside of our managed/designated campsite areas. Please visit our Facebook page.

Can my recreational organization obtain a TimberWest Access Agreement?
We welcome Access requests by qualified organizations. Note that liability insurance is a pre-requisite. Please find the appropriate form on our website at timberwest.com/our-neighbours-and-communities/#access.

CAMPING
Camping at one of TimberWest’s 8 campsites is permitted from spring to fall. Book online for South Island campsites at lakecowichancamping.com, and email for North Island campsite sites at wpcampsite@hotmail.com.

FIREWOOD
Firewood cutting opportunities on TimberWest land may be available at certain locations. Proper safety gear is required. For more information visit our Facebook page.

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